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COUNTRY Czechoslovakia

REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC Engineer Training Area Near Prague

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EVALUATION [REDACTED]

PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

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DATE OF CONTENT [REDACTED]

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DATE PREPARED 8 August 1950

REFERENCES [REDACTED]

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SOURCE [REDACTED]

1. An engineer training area was identified on the eastern section of Vitava Island near the Prague suburb of Troja [REDACTED] \* According to local residents a depot of the Military Technical Institute was located at the same place. The engineer troops which regularly trained there were quartered in the Zizka Barracks, Prague-Karlín. \*\*
2. The engineer training materiel observed on Vitava Island included 18 pontoons for bridge construction, about 7 to 8 meters long, 12 wooden rowing boats, about 25 metal bridge sections and piles of beams and boards for the construction of wooden bridges. The storage of the metal bridge sections indicated that they were seldom used.
3. A guard detail of one officer and about 13 men was permanently in the training area. An engineer platoon was observed there undergoing theoretical instruction and practicing with ropes on [REDACTED]
4. Local residents said that no significant amounts of materiel had recently been withdrawn from, or moved to, the island.

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Comment, For a sketch of the engineer training area see Annex.  
 Comment, The 5th Indep Engr Bn was last identified in the Zizka Barracks, Prague-Karlín, in the summer of 1949. [REDACTED]

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1 Annex: Engineer Training Area on Vitava Island South of Prague-Troja.

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